Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a large inter-State variation in stamp and registration duty on purchase of housing plots, flats and buildings having a negative effect on construction activities;

(b) if so, the details of actual prevailing rates of stamp and registration duty State-wise and annual revenue collected by the States therefrom during the last three years;

(c) whether Government are considering fresh initiatives for reduction and rationalisation of stamp/registration duty to promote housing construction; and

(d) if so, the details of the proposal under consideration and directions and compliance thereof?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) and (b) The data regarding stamp duty levied by various State Governments and revenue collected therefrom during the last three years, State-wise is not readily available. The information will be collected from Ministry of Finance and the States and laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The Stamp duty/Registration charges fall within the jurisdiction of State Govts. Hence a decision will have to be taken by the State Govts. in this regard. However, this Ministry and the Ministry of Finance are pursuing the matter with the State Govts. for reduction of Stamp duty. This Ministry support reduction of stamp duty because this will further encourage housing activity.

(d) Does not arise.

Approval of Housing Projects

147. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the housing projects received from the various States and approved by Government and Housing Urban Development Corporation during each of the last three years and till date, State-wise; and

(b) the amount sanctioned for these projects, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) and (b) Central Government does not provide any financial assistance to States for social housing schemes. However, the Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) has sanctioned a number of housing projects in various States. The number of such projects sanctioned during 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 (as on 31.10.98), Statewise is indicated in the Statement-I. (*See* below) The amount of loan sanctioned, Statewise, during these years is given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Housing Projects Sanctioned during the Last Four Years

States	No. of Schemes			
	1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1988-99 (As on 31.10.98)
Andhra Pradesh	49	120	76	34
Assam	11	8	5	2
Bihar	19	37	4	5
Goa	1	1	5	0
Gujarat	53	41	23	24
Himachal Pradesh	9	8	23	7
Haryana	26	11	8	12
Jammu & Kashmir	14	2	5	2
Kerala	45	49	80	35
Karnataka	54	68	52	54
Meghalaya	3	3	0	1
Maharashtra	13	17	12	8
Manipur	3	2	5	1
Madhya Pradesh	90	65	42	32
Mizoram	3	2	2	0
Nagaland	0	2	2	0
Orissa	14	19	12	16
Punjab	16	23	5	6
Rajasthan	84	104	52	20
Sikkim	3	2	1	0
Tamil Nadu	133	120	104	68
Tripura	1	1	2	0
Uttar Pradesh	32	51	37	4
West Bengal	22	33	19	7
A & N Islands	2	0	2	1
Delhi	0	1	0	1
Chandigarh	0	0	0	0
Pondicherry	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	700	790	579	340

Statement-II

Housing Loan sanctioned for the Last 3 Years and during current Year upto 31.10.1998

(Rs. in Crores)

State	1995-96 Loan Amount	1996-97 Loan Amount	1997-98 Loan Amount	1998-99 Loan Amount upto 31.10.98
1	2	3	4	5
Andhra Pradesh	76.63	202.18	172.16	66.00
Arunachal Pradesh	0.00	0.00	--	--
Assam	8.31	33.04	16.23	6.35
Bihar	26.32	49.59	4.65	12.53
Goa	48.40	0.85	13.34	--
Gujarat	46.00	47.39	75.63	14.82
Haryana	56.07	17.45	16.94	28.85
Himachal Pradesh	3.71	15.20	72.04	19.77
Jammu & Kashmir	13.67	0.89	13.75	2.32
Karnataka	92.84	81.89	118.78	93.67
Kerala	118.15	177.79	232.19	125.85
Madhya Pradesh	74.64	77.60	88.12	66.27
Maharashtra	38.17	41.79	124.87	184.23
Manipur	5.77	39.65	22.28	2.55
Mizoram	5.26	5.38	6.37	--
Meghalaya	0.94	5.74	0.23	0.39
Nagaland	0.00	5.89	13.13	--
Orissa	18.74	33.90	55.65	18.75
Punjab	8.21	31.10	3.75	73.42
Rajasthan	75.10	90.46	227.05	26.38
Sikkim	6.50	7.14	0.50	--
Tamil Nadu	159.88	186.88	185.10	85.50
Tripura	0.73	0.09	0.50	--
Uttar Pradesh	57.58	101.74	126.77	9.66
West Bengal	38.30	48.35	35.03	116.73
A & N Island	1.49	0.00	1.38	1.50
Chandigarh	0.00	0.00	0.00	--
D & N Island	0.00	0.00	0.00	--
Delhi	0.00	1.84	0.00	3.51
Lakhadweep	0.00	0.00	0.00	--
Pondicherry	0.00	0.00	0.95	--
Daman & Diu	0.00	0.00	0.00	--
Total	991.00	1308.78	1628.39	861.05

Requirement of Urban Housing

148. SHRI C.O. POULOSE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be plesed to state:

(a) the State-wise requirement of housing in urban areas at end of each Five Year Plan upto Eighth Plan; and

(b) the contribution of Government to fulfil the States requirement State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI RAM JETHMALANI): (a) The State-wise requirement of housing in urban areas is not available at the end of each Five Year Plan upto Eighth Plan. The Working Group on Urban Housing set up in the context of formulation of 9th Plan estimated the urban housing shortage to be 7.57 million units at the end of 8th Five Year Plan.

However, the National Buildings Organisation has estimated the housing shortage on the basis of various census data. As per the estimates, in urban areas at all India level, the housing shortage in 1961 was 3.60 million and in 1971 was 3.00 million. The State-wise estimates of housing shortage based on the census data 1971, 1981 and 1991 are available for the years 1980, 1981, 1983, 1985, 1990 and 1991 respectively and are given at Annexure (*See Appendix 185, Annexure No.3*)

(b) The thrust of the Union Govt's Policy is to provide affordable housing to Low Income Group (LIG) & Economically Weaker Sections (EWS) and Housing and Urban Development Corporation (HUDCO) is providing loans to State Government agencies at lower rates of interest. The State-wise details of dwelling units constructed and residential plots developed as on 31.10.98 by HUDCO are given in the Annexure [*See Appendix 185, Annexure No. 3*]

Allotment of MIG Flats in Shalimar Bagh and Dwarka

149. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been considerable delay in construction and allotment of MIG (Category-II) Flats in Shalimar Bagh and Dwarka to the applicants who were declared successful by D.D.A. in the draw published on 1st January, 1997 and who have already paid the amount demanded in half-yearly instalments;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;